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SUBJECT: VIOLENCE WEEK IN REVIEW DECEMBER 12-18
1. SUMMARY DURING THE WEEK THE PRESS REPORTED 73
VICTIMS OF THIS COUNTRY'S POLITICAL VIOLENCE AND 77
COMBATANT (THAT IS, IN ACTION) DEATHS. TERRORIST INCIDENTS CON-
TINUED AT A LEVEL SIMILAR TO THAT OF THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND RE-
MAINED CONCENTRATED IN THE EPARTMENTS OF SAN SALVADOR, MORAZAN,
SAN MIGUEL, USULUTAN AND SAN VICENTE. GUERRILLA ACTIVITY WAS
REPORTED UNUSUALLY CLOSE TO THE CITY OF SANTA ANA. THE
ARMED FORCES CARRIED OUT A SWEEP IN MORAZAN DESTROYING
A REPEATER STATION OF INSURGENT RADIO 'VENCEREMOS'
IN THE PROCESS. END SUMMARY
2. DEATHS AND DISAPPEARANCES APPROXIMATELY 73 PEOPLE
DIED IN POLITICAL VIOLENCE LAST WEEK. OF THE REPORTED
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DEAD, 20 WERE ATTRIBUTED TO LEFTIST FORCES. THE KILLERS
OF THE REMAINING 53 ARE UNKNOWN. IN ADDITION TO THE
CIVILIAN CASUALTIES, 29 SOLDIERS AND 48 GUERRILLAS
REPORTEDLY DIED IN ACTION (THE FIGURES FOR COMBATANT
DEATHS MAY BE EXAGGERATED). SIX PEOPLE DISAPPEARED
THIS WEEK.
3. STATISTICS: THE 73 NON-COMBATANT VICTIMS WERE FOUND
IN THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTS:

SAN SALVADOR	17
LA LIBERTAD	13
USULUTAN	12
SAN MIGUEL	13
SANTA ANA	7
SAN VICENTE	4

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TOTAL 73
NOTE: THE LA LIBERTAD TOTAL INCLUDES 6 VICTIMS FOUND IN
EL PLAYON ON DECEMBER 18 (SEPTEL).
THE COMBATANT DEATHS REPORTEDLY
OCCURRED IN SAN MIGUEL AND MORAZAN DEPARTMENTS.
AN AGE BREAKDOWN OF THE DEAD YIELDS THE FOLLOWING
STATISTICS:
A. AGE 17 AND UNDER 3
B. AGES 18-25 13
C. AGES 26-35 7
D. AGES 36-52 7
E. AGES OVER 52 2
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F. UNKNOWN 41
TOTAL 73
AN OCCUPATIONAL BREAKDOWN GIVES US THE FOLLOWING FIGURES:
3 PEASANTS
1 FARMER
1 NEWSPAPER BOY
3 GUARDSMEN
1 INSPECTOR
1 PHOTOGRAPHER
1 CORPORAL
1 OFF-DUTY SOLDIER
1 COFFEE WEIGHER
1 FISHERMAN
2 COFFEE PICKERS
1 WORKER
1 SECURITY AGENT
1 MERCHANT
2 MECHANICS
49 UNKNOWN
4. INCIDENTS. TERRORIST INCIDENTS WERE CONCENTRATED IN
THE DEPARTMENTS OF LA LIBERTAD, USULUTAN, SAN VICENTE, AND
SAN MIGUEL. NOTABLE EVENTS INCLUDE THE MILITARY SWEEP IN
MORAZAN, AND THE DESTRUCTION OF THE REPEATER STATION OF
INSURGENT RADIO "VENCEREMOS." GUERRILLAS CONTINUED
DESTROYING TELEPHONE INSTALLATIONS AND ELECTRICAL TOWERS
IN SAN SALVADOR, SAN VICENTE AND SAN MIGUEL. GUERRILLAS
ALSO ATTACKED THE CITY OF USULUTAN, AND ACTION WHICH LASTED
APPROXIMATELY 13 HOURS AND LEFT 15 DEAD, ACCORING TO
PRESS REPORTS.
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